

NEW YORK WOMEN DELEGATES DIVIDED OVER "DRY" ISSUE

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deprived of his beer when all the wealthy men have as much as they need," she challenged.

"What I say is either enforce the Eighteenth Amendment and have prohibition act and let each State set the standard for itself. Of course, I don't believe in saloons. Who does? You would think, to hear the way I am being abused for my opinions, that I was planning to go out and lead a riotous life myself."

It is plain that the Southern women delegates do not agree with Miss Marbury. Mrs. Yost, in the Davis delegation from West Virginia, says she is absolutely positive there will be no wet plank. Mrs. John B. Castleman of Kentucky says the same thing, as does also Mrs. Beverly Munford of Virginia. Taken all in all, discussion for the Eighteenth Amendment is about as popular around here as propaganda for the Kaiser.

Speaking of the Kaiser, the Irish question isn't so awfully well thought of either—at least, not among the women. They all agree that they sympathize with Ireland personally but politically they are not there at all. When we say all we make an exception of Mrs. Lillian R. Sire of Tammany Hall, who is willing to boost the cause of the little nation at any and all times.

Well, as we started out to say, the convention started at 12 o'clock nominally, though at 12:30 nothing much had happened save those little toy balloons which kept bursting on top of the people's heads and getting entangled in the women's hats. They bore up bravely—all but a lady from Maryland when she found a pale green balloon for Palmer had squashed on the front of her new georgette waist. She said a few home truths about the Democrats. "They talk about

the cost of living," she cried scornfully. "And yet this waist cost me \$18. And for Palmer, too. If it had only been a McKissack balloon, I wouldn't have minded so much."

Every one is intrigued by the new amplifier—a monster thing like a suspended octopus hung in front of Chairman Homer S. Cummings, so that his lightest word penetrated to the galleries in a little, high, thin voice like a bare mosquito. Any one who expected light and color on account of the admittance of so many women to the Auditorium were disappointed. There seemed to be a conspiracy in favor of dark blue, and those who didn't wear that wore black or brown, so the only touches of color were, as Mrs. Percy V. Penningbacker so aptly put it, "the pink faces of the delegates."

The frail lace hat of Miss Caroline Rutz Rees from Connecticut helped things out a little, and Mrs. George Bass of Chicago had a pale blue hat for the occasion.

"But I do wish," said a San Francisco business man gloomily, "that they would bolt up a little. Just be-

cause they are in politics they don't have to look like palbearers."

Mrs. Helen Grenfell of Colorado, pronounced the most brilliant woman speaker at a recent evening, was appointed on the delegation of three to escort the speaker to his chair. But the session was over so early that there was nothing left to do but rush over to a luncheon given by the San Francisco Civic Centre at the St. Francis Hotel. There Mrs. Pennybacker of Texas, who, it will be recalled, is or was the President of the Federated Women's Clubs, told why she was a Democrat instead of a Republican.

"When the Republican Congress

appropriated \$5,000,000 for the bill for animal industry and refused to pass the Maternity Bill to provide for infants and young mothers because it cost \$2,000,000, I decided it was time to change parties," she declared.

WOMEN FRIENDS OF RUSSIA PUZZLE POLICE.

Outside the Auditorium Annex an exciting scene was taking place, where two perplexed policemen were trying to persuade Dr. Elizabeth Whitney, Mrs. Mary Field Porton and other members of the American Women's Emergency Committee from picking the convention with signs to lift the Russian blockade.

"You ain't got no right," cried the

officer. "You may be ladies for all I know. I ain't got nothing against you personally, but all I say is that this kind of thing has got to stop. Don't you think them poor Democrats have enough on their minds without any of this foolishness?"

Even the news that the committee had such members as Mrs. Harriet Stanton Blatch, Miss Helen Keller and Miss Helen Todd meant nothing to the policeman, and the last seen he was scratching his head and clearing his throat.

"Youse can't do nothing with those dames, Charlie," interpolated a sympathetic fireman. "Why don't you let it go? You'll have enough to worry

about when they get to nominating Bryan." A plank to stop lynching in the South is the suggestion of the one and only colored delegate at the convention, R. C. Waters of the 19th New York District.

"My idea is that lynching is a dis-

grace to the United States," said Waters. "Most of my people are peaceful, law abiding citizens. The reason for these fearful crimes lies in the slow moving of the law. If there were an instant conviction of a guilty man and subsequent immediate

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